

IN THE HIGH COURT OF BOMBAY AT GOA

WRIT PETITION NO. 275 OF 2007

MR. SANDEEP HEBLE

... Petitioner

Versus

ELECTION COMMISSION OF INDIA AND 3
ORS.,

... Respondents

Mr. Vivek Rodrigues, Advocate for the petitioner.

Mr. S. R. Rivonkar, Advocate for the respondent No. 1.

Coram:- R.M.S. KHANDEPARKAR &
N. A. BRITTO, JJ.

Date:- 23rd October, 2007

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Heard. By the present petition, the petitioner is seeking to challenge the order dated 25.5.2007, issued by the Election Commission of India, whereby production of Electoral Photo Identify Card was said to be made compulsory by those voters who had been issued such cards for the purpose of their identification as voters in a particular constituency.

2. The petition was undisputedly filed as there was apprehension that during the elections which were scheduled to take place on 2nd June, 2007 the petitioner and other voters might fail to produce the card at the relevant time and might lose their right to vote.

3. Since the election process is already over, the cause of action for the petitioner no more survives and in that view of the matter, and as rightly submitted by the learned Counsel for the respondent, the petition is rendered infructuous. We, therefore dispose of this petition as infructuous, without expressing any opinion on any of the points raised in this petition. The petition is disposed of. No order as to costs.

R.M.S. KHANDEPARKAR, J.

N. A. BRITTO, J.

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